

MANY JUSTICES TO TUMBLE.

A Number of Dogberrys Will Soon Be Fired from the Lesser Bench.

The Governor Is Most Anxious to Avoid the Entanglements Which Beset His Predecessor.

And the Judges of the Courts of Record Will Meet Just After New Year's.

To Present to the Chief Magistrate a List of Men They Deem Worthy.

Out of These the Selections Will Be Made—Many Incumbents Will Be Dropped.

The bad justices must go. The whole Cook County bench is against them.

It is probable that 40 per cent. of the present justices will be removed next winter.

Once more the practice of pettifogging lawyers in bringing suits in remote parts of the county has been prominently brought to the attention of the higher courts, and some of the judges are considering drastic action to check what they freely characterize as a growing disgrace.

Judge Brentano lately granted an injunction against Thomas L. Humphreys and Attorney Frank Little, together with three clients, restraining them from bringing any more suits against a local medical college. The college had been sued on a contract before Justice Humphreys in River Forest, and the Judge refused to allow one of the litigants to make a statement after he admitted bringing the action in the county justice shop.

Judge Brentano declared from the bench that he would do what he could to put a stop to the scheme of snapshot, jug-handled actions at law in distant corners of the county, far removed from the residence or business of the persons sued. The Judge had already expressed the same views, as have other members of the judiciary, and all agree that a means should be found to remedy these abuses of legal process.

"This thing is an outrage," said Judge Brentano. "One of the first principles of a law action is that both sides shall be fairly heard, but when a man is sued in an inaccessible part of the county at an unseasonable hour this is out of the question. For instance, I know a downtown business man who was sued at 8 o'clock Monday morning out in Barrington, thirty miles away, for an alleged debt of \$2. This Justice Humphreys holds court in River Forest, ten miles out, and his son, who is a lawyer in the heart of the city, helps to make out the praecipes. I don't care to quote names now, but there is connivance between a large number of lawyers and these suburban justices.

"Of course a suit can be brought anywhere in the county, but with plenty of justices within easy reach of the Court House why should a poor woman be sued before a magistrate far out in Thornton? Perhaps she takes an early morning train, and when she gets off at the depot she inquires for Justice So-and-so's court. Nobody at the station knows where it is, and by the time she finds it the justice tells her, 'Oh, we disposed of that case an hour ago. Why weren't you here?'"

"One of the worst features of this practice is the hardship worked on the poor man who cannot afford to hire a lawyer," said Judge Haney. "It is one of the worst abuses of our judicial system, and I see cases almost every day. Suits are heard in places where there are no cars or few trains and at hours either very early or very late, so that to defend them a person must hire a night's lodging. The whole expense is usually more than the amount sued for. Many cases have no merit and are made solely to harass and annoy the defendants with default judgments.

"The judges have only indirect power to remedy the evil, but they can exert their moral influence against it, and this would be important in cases which get to the higher courts. Of course many of them do not reach us at all." The butterline case was one of the most important where defendants were recently put to unwarranted inconvenience. Several prominent manufacturers were arrested on warrants sworn out before a justice in the town of Cicero, and required to appear at or near midnight.

In speaking of this case Judge Chetlain said: "I do not hesitate to condemn the pernicious practice of subjecting citizens to unreasonable hours to civil and criminal proceedings, sometimes wholly needless, before remote justices, or further annoying them by frequent continuances where defendants have the courage to appear. Such proceedings are instituted to induce people to settle litigious claims, or, as frequently happens, to hurry them off to jail."

The three judges named have considered the question as to whether, in aggravated cases of this character, the defendants should not be promptly discharged on the sole ground of abuse of

legal process, and those concerned in the prosecution, or persecution, held amenable.

Gov. Tanner and the judges of the Cook County courts are going to act earlier than usual this time in the selection of justices of the peace for Chicago.

As soon as the fall election is over the judges will get to work to make their selections. The term of every justice of the peace in Cook County expires this coming winter and the judges will have to recommend their successors to the Governor.

Four years ago the Cook County judiciary was very slow in acting, and as a result there was a bad tangle in which the judges, Gov. Altgeld and the Senate participated.

Gov. Tanner wishes to avoid this trouble, and hence the judges will submit the names to him a few months earlier than usual.

This will give Gov. Tanner a chance to get the names that he wants to the Senate by January. Several old-timers are slated for dismissal.

Among those talked of for appointment whose friends are exerting themselves in their behalf are the following:

South Town Applicants.
Republicans—Campbell Allison, lawyer; George W. Underwood, justice of the peace; S. W. King, lawyer; John Richardson, justice of the peace; John C. Everett, justice of the peace; William A. Huff, lawyer; William W. Johnson, lawyer; James J. Healy, court clerk; Hervey Sheldon, lawyer; William T. Hall, justice of the peace; A. J. Turnbull, lawyer; George E. Swartz, lawyer; Charles H. Bradley, court clerk; Randall H. White, justice of the peace; John J. Flynn, ex-court clerk; Charles T. Palmer, lawyer; Franklin A. Denison, lawyer; H. J. Hayward, lawyer; David J. Lyon, justice of the peace; John R. Porter, sign painter; Delos M. Powers, lawyer; Stephen A. Douglas, lawyer; Frank Hall Childs, lawyer; James E. Rogers, lawyer; Arthur S. Welch, lawyer.

Democrats—John K. Prindiville, justice of the peace; A. H. Keenon, lawyer; Thomas Bradwell, justice of the peace; James C. Martin, justice of the peace; B. S. Dement, lawyer; P. A. Hines, lawyer; Hugh J. McGuire, David J. Wile, lawyer; N. K. Piotrowski, lawyer; M. R. M. Wallace, chief clerk Assessor's office; Noel B. Boyden, ex-Coroner; W. S. McComas, lawyer; Patrick B. Flanagan, ex-bailiff; Andrew M. Rorko, lawyer; George P. Foster, justice of the peace; Lazarus Minzenheimer, lawyer; Charles Jouvenet, lawyer; Timothy D. Hurly, lawyer; James M. Quinn, lawyer.

Politics Not Known—O. W. Turner, lawyer; N. A. Kaufman, lawyer; Louis Rinkner, lawyer; John J. Jacobs, lawyer.

West Town Applicants.
Republicans—Daniel O'Sullivan, lawyer and newspaper man; Olaf F. Stevenson, justice of the peace; T. H. Clifford, lawyer; Jarvis Hume, justice of the peace; Herman F. Moore, lawyer; Max Eberhardt, justice of the peace; Clement J. Bellinski, lawyer; Q. J. Chott, justice of the peace; George M. Bagby, lawyer; Miles Kehoe, justice of the peace; J. F. O'Donnell, lawyer; G. R. Tucker, lawyer; Edward L. Smith; John C. Ahrensfield, lawyer; Melvin B. Campbell, ex-justice of the peace; Cleary M. J. O'Donoghue, justice of the peace; Stewart H. Horberson, lawyer; P. C. Feeny, lawyer; Stephen Connelley, ex-justice of the peace; Jos. F. Kohaut, lawyer; Bernhard Behrend, lawyer; Alex. S. Robertson, lawyer; E. S. Overlock; A. W. Brickwood, lawyer; R. N. Hoskins, constable; John A. Bell, contractor; Isaac J. Franklin, lawyer; John F. Smulski, lawyer; Julius F. Smietanka, lawyer; Edwin Reeves, lawyer; Maurice Langhorne, lawyer; Edward A. Fisher, lawyer, ex-justice of the peace; Walter E. Sparks, lawyer; A. K. Manning, lawyer; L. O. Gilman; Joseph Schneider, lawyer; Anton P. Nechvatal, lawyer; Herman Jacobson, lawyer; Robert N. Pearson, lawyer; R. C. Busse, lawyer; Henry Phillips; W. H. Sloane, fire insurance inspector; R. A. W. James, lawyer; Joseph Wildauer, clothing.

Democrats—M. A. La Buy, justice of the peace; Robert Mickey, lawyer;

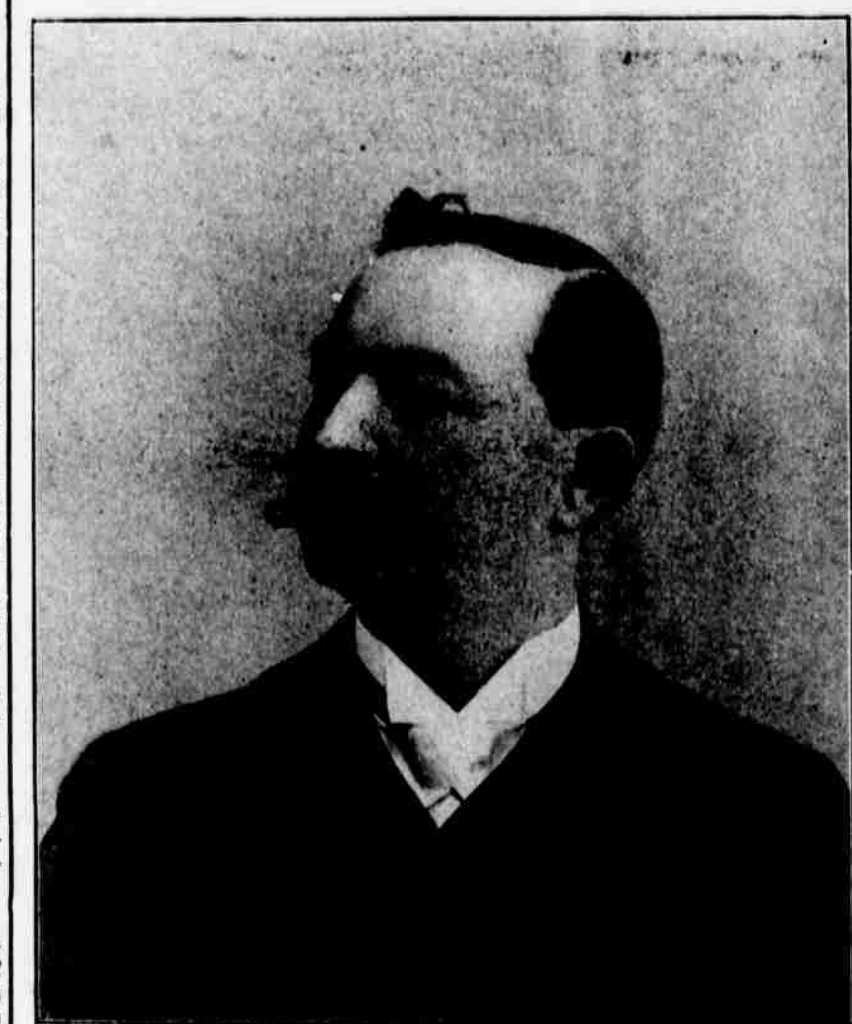
John S. Stevens, lawyer; Henry Phillips, lawyer; M. J. O'Donoghue, justice of the peace; Frank Collier, lawyer; Olaf E. Ray, lawyer; Joseph P. Rafferty, lawyer; A. J. Sabath, justice of the peace; Jas. M. Doyle, justice of the peace; Mark Sullivan, school principal; Benedict J. Short, lawyer; John T. Murray, lawyer; Maurice J. English, lawyer; Geo. R. Martin; John J. Brown, real estate; Leopold M. Stern, lawyer; John Roberts, lawyer; Jas. C. Dooley, justice of the peace; Edward J. McGeeney; Henry B. Eastman, lawyer; Sidney Adler, lawyer; J. W. D. Pierce, lawyer.

Politics unknown—Henry Hudson, lawyer; James O'Connell, lawyer; Max Polachek; Ambrose A. Worsley, lawyer; James W. Kinney, lawyer; George C. Morton, lawyer; Charles A. Fanning, lawyer; I. F. Dankowski, lawyer; P. M. Linana, lawyer; R. J. Shaw; George A. Searle, real estate; Arthur A. Kraft, lawyer; Henry M. Shabad, lawyer; Edwin J. Thomas, lawyer; W. B. Austin, lawyer.

North Town Applicants.
Republicans—E. C. Hamburger, justice of the peace; Charles H. Honglund, justice of the peace; Patrick D. Tyrrell, detective; N. M. Plotke, lawyer; Geo. H. Woods, justice of the peace; Richard McConnell, lawyer; Francis J. Houlihan, lawyer; John S. Dixon, bailiff; Aaron G. Diens, lawyer; C. S. Engle; Ralph W. Bowman, lawyer; Samuel P. Shields; George Byron; W. G. Bentley, lawyer; Richard A. Haussner, lawyer; Chas. H. Cowan, ex-constable.

Democrats—James H. Collins, real estate and loans; Walter J. Gibbons, justice of the peace; Pehr W. Nilsson, lawyer; Daniel Evans, lawyer; Adolph Ascher, lawyer; Geo. Kersten, justice of the peace; Henry Blagney, lawyer; S. R. Keogh, lawyer.

Politics not known—Dwight Brown, lawyer; Geo. B. Boardman; Percy L.



HON. GEORGE C. LENKE.

Whom the Republicans Will Probably Nominate and Elect West Town Collector.

Shuman, lawyer; Wm. A. Marshall; J. W. Cochran, lawyer; John Dienhart, contractor; Guy Magee.

Hyde Park Applicants.
Republicans—Alfred R. Porter, justice of the peace; John Blum, lawyer; Geo. H. Harlow, justice of the peace; Lorin Love, constable; A. M. Fletcher; Andrew J. Davis, justice of the peace; Philip Koehler, lawyer; Geo. L. Ford, justice of the peace; Frank J. Traynor; James P. Locke, live stock; E. P. Barrett, lawyer; G. F. Bristol, constable; Kit Gould, lawyer; J. M. Kelly, lawyer; G. K. Edwards, real estate; J. C. Anderson, lawyer; W. C. Hoyer, lawyer; E. M. Beckermann, lawyer.

Democrats—James McInerney, lawyer; T. A. Foley, J. P.; John E. Rieck, lawyer; J. F. McPeck; M. J. Quinn, justice of the peace; Noble T. Robbins, J. P.

Town of Lake Applicants.
C. A. Shirley, lawyer; H. G. Schulte, J. P.; S. Sigler, real estate; E. S. Metcalf, lawyer; H. D. Smalley, lawyer; J. P. Rhoades, J. P.; Frank Becker, J. P.; Henry E. Wilmut, J. P.

Democrats—J. J. Hennessey, justice of the peace; M. J. Kearney, ex-justice; George W. Hotelling, justice of the peace; John Fitzgerald, justice of the peace; John R. Cook, justice of the peace; John Downey, lawyer; W. B. Vaughn, lawyer; J. N. Moore, J. P.; N. E. Perry, lawyer; M. J. Butler, Representative.

Lake View Applicants.
Republicans—B. A. L. Thompson, lawyer; Henry Bonnerot, justice of the peace; H. J. Sanson, J. P.

Democrats—C. J. Whitney, J. P.; Moritz Kaufmann, J. P.; V. A. Boggs, justice of the peace.

Town of Jefferson Applicants.
Republicans—O. F. Gear, J. P.; W. Bauer, justice of the peace; S. M. Dada, lawyer; W. H. Wallis, justice of the peace; C. S. McNett, lawyer; C. W. Smith, merchant.

Democrats—Thomas Edgar, justice of the peace; W. N. Julian, lawyer; J. P. W. Brown, lawyer; H. L. Southworth, J. P.; F. R. Brodie, contractor; F. W. Rogers, J. P.

Largest Tree.
The largest tree in the eastern hemisphere, if not in the world, is a monster chestnut standing at the foot of Mount Aetna. The circumference of the main trunk at sixty feet from the ground is 212 feet.

Chinese Cities Dark at Night.
Tientsin and other Chinese cities have no lights at night except such as come from private houses.

HIS TWO SIDES.

How a Great Surgeon of the Last Century Received Pupils.
John Hunter, the great surgeon whose work in dissection and practical experiment gave the medical practice of the last century an incalculable impetus, was rough or smooth, in his dealing with new pupils, according as he found them pretentious or humble. He was not unwilling to "answer a fool according to his folly." One morning a very young man mentioned quite casually that he had some thought of giving a course of lectures on comparative anatomy.

"Sir," said Hunter, dryly, "that is a bold undertaking. I once had thoughts of doing the same thing, but the difficulties and necessary qualifications were so great that I did not think myself competent. You, I dare say, may feel yourself quite equal to it."

Another youth came to town, and sought him out, with the hope of receiving lessons from him.

"Well, young gentleman," said Hunter, when the ceremony of introduction was over, "so you are come to town to be a surgeon? And how long do you intend to stay?"

"One year," was the reply.

"Then," said Hunter, "I can tell you that won't do. I've been here a great many years, and worked hard, and I don't know the principles of the art."

After some further talk, the surgeon decided to give the lad a trial, and made an appointment with him for the next day; but it was at no easy hour.

"Come to me to-morrow morning, young gentleman," said he, "and I will put you in the way of things. Come as soon after four as you can."

The youth kept the appointment, but early as it was, Hunter was already busy in dissecting beetles.

But not all young men were snubbed

CONVICT'S ODD FACE.

Abnormal Expression Caused by Paralysis of the Facial Nerves.
Angello Del Bello was the first man convicted of murder in the first degree in Ohio not sentenced to receive the penalty of death. He was not sentenced to death because of insanity, yet he is not insane. He is confined in the prison asylum, though he is not a lunatic. Del Bello is a native Italian, but seems to understand neither English nor Italian, comprehends nothing that is said to him, is oblivious of punishment, and is a puzzle to the prison physicians. Since his confinement his face has begun to



ANGELLO DEL BELLO.

twist over toward the right. At first the doctors thought it was an illusion, but measurements show that the head is contracting on one side.

A prominent physician, quoting Dr. Bastien's treatise on facial disorders, said: "The diagnosis of this case is a matter of considerable difficulty. It is reasonable to suppose, however, that Deputy Warden Dawson's remark that the man's mentality was of too low an order to admit of insanity is incorrect. Del Bello is suffering from what Dr. Bastien calls the 'reaction of degeneration.' His mind has descended to the brute plane. He has allowed his mind to become such a blank that he has lost its usefulness, and has now begun to show the effects of lethargy."

"Del Bello's experience ought to be a warning to those who let their 'angry passions rise.' He has allowed anger to sway him to such an extent that the nerves of the brain have become affected and have lost their functions. Owing to violence the trunk of the nerves first became affected, the inflammation gradually spreading until the facial nerves became entirely paralyzed, allowing the face to assume an abnormal expression."

WILL WED WILHELMINA.
Of All Her Suitors the Prince of Wied Is the Favorite.

Queen Wilhelmina of Holland is to marry her cousin, Prince William of Wied. It is a love match, and, while it does not particularly please the courtiers and royal match-makers, who wanted the young Queen to wed some monarch or heir apparent, the gentle Wilhelmina is happy.

Prince William of Wied is the second son of Prince William Adolphus Maximilian Charles, whose family domain is at Neuwied, Rhenish Prussia. He was born March 29, 1876, and is therefore in his twenty-third year. As Prince of Wied he would have attracted little attention in European court circles; as the consort of Queen Wilhelmina he will be the first gentleman in the kingdom of Holland. Only the Queen herself will take precedence of him, and his place will be beside her at all court and other official ceremonies. He will share her income, and his children will inherit her throne. In a word, he will occupy in Holland the same position that Prince Albert occupied in England as consort of Queen Victoria.

Queen Wilhelmina has had many suitors. Among them were Prince Louis Napoleon, Prince Bernard Henry



WILLIAM OF WIED.

of Saxe-Weimar-Eisenach, whose suit was pressed by Emperor William; Prince Frederick Henry of Prussia; Prince Harold of Denmark; Prince Nicholas of Greece, and Prince Alfred of Saxe-Coburg Gotha. But she dismissed them all in favor of young William of Wied.

Lighting Mines.
The extending use of electricity is well illustrated by its use for lighting mines. The candle or oil lamp of former days was not only dangerous in coal mines, where there is likelihood of an explosion, but it furnished a very imperfect light and compelled the miner to work in semi-darkness. Small electric lamps, to be carried by the miners, were introduced in France; but they were objectionable on account of their weight—nearly five pounds—and also because they would burn only a few hours without being recharged. The lamps are now being attached to the roofs of the galleries, currents being established by means of wires. By this means an abundance of continuous light is obtained, but care must be exercised in insulating the wires, to prevent friction or sparks which might provoke an explosion or ignite surrounding wood-work.

Forest Stands on Ice.
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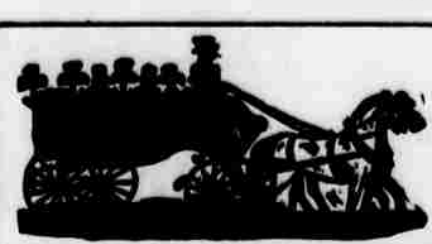
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